

Sturbymoorside
February 1897.

Gentlemen

The following is my Twentythird annual report as Medical Officer of Health for this district, which I have now the honour of submitting to your Notice.

By the accompanying Table A may be seen that 82 deaths occurred during 1896, equal to a death rate of 16.1 per 1000, the death rate for the same period in country Districts throughout England and Wales being 15.8 per 1000.

37 were persons of 65 years and upwards, while 18 were infants under one year. The infant death rate is a very little higher than the average and seems to have been augmented chiefly through Bronchial ailments and premature births.

5 Deaths have been caused through diseases classed as Zymotic viz:- Diphtheria 3. Enteric fever 1. Whooping cough 1.

3 deaths have been caused by accident and one by suicide.

With the exception of 2 all were legally certified.

Table B shows that 130 births were Registered, yielding a birth rate of 25.5 per 1000 the birth rate throughout Rural Districts in England and Wales for 1896 being 28.9 per 1000.

This Table also shows that 27 cases were reported under the Infectious Diseases Notification Act viz:- Scarlet fever 13. Enteric fever 4, Erysipelas 2, Diphtheria 8.

Vaccination was well attended to.
16 Nuisances were dealt with by the Inspector

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The following is a copy of the report on the annual progress of the work of the Bureau of the Census for the year 1877.

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The report is a very valuable document, and it is one that should be read by every one who is interested in the work of the Bureau of the Census. It shows that the Bureau is doing a great deal of good, and that it is making great progress in its work.

During the months of January and February, there were several cases of Scarlet Fever at Kirby Moorside, many more, I fear, than were notified and at least one case at Appleton-le-moors and another at Normanby. There was also what might also be termed an epidemic of Bronchial Catarrh at the village of Great Eadstone, among infants and young children.

During March, April and May there were four cases of Enteric fever, collectively at Nunnington, Ness, and Waterholmes, all on the banks of the River Rye.

About the first week in July there was an outbreak of Diphtheria at the village of Appleton-le-moors. Eight cases were notified and three deaths resulted. The whole matter was duly reported at the time.

Shortly after this it was considered expedient to close the day and Sunday Schools at the Villages of Normanby and Newton on account of an outbreak of Measles at each of these villages. Beyond the foregoing there was not anything worthy of record under that head.

Considerable inconvenience was experienced in many parts of the District on account of the scarcity of Water, the first two thirds of the summer of 1896 being exceedingly dry.

Even at Kirbymoorside this element had to be used with great economy, and a proposal was made that the present source should be supplemented by an additional Supply, from a small lake on the moor, lying to the East of Farndale.

At the village of Nunnington a scheme has been devised and approved of by the Local Authority for the purpose of supplying that village and some of the adjoining places with a supply of pure water by gravitation.

The condition of the village of Appleton-le-Moors, with regard to its want of wholesome water has been the subject of much discussion at nearly every Board Meeting throughout the year, but practically the business does not seem thereby to have been forwarded in the least.

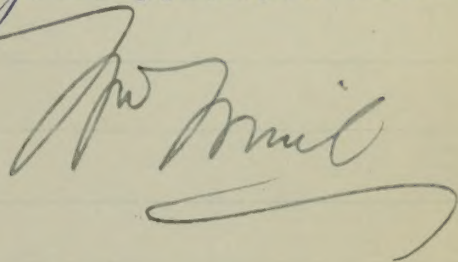
It is to be hoped, however, that before the close of another year, some plan may be contrived for placing this village on an equal footing with that of Nunnington.

I beg

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to remain

Your obedient servant



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Rural District Council

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Report of
H. D. H.
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To Mr. H.
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